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OXIDE USING THE CARRIER, AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING

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Responsive to the action mailed April 10, 2003, applicants elect the invention of Group I, i.e., claims 1-7, drawn to a ceramic article and method of production thereof. The election is made without traverse.

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